

TOWN OF WEBSTER
Office of Selectmen
945 Battle Street/Rte. 127
Webster, NH 03303

6:32 PM Selectmen's Meeting – July 23, 2012

Present: Chairman George Cummings, Selectman Bruce Johnson and Selectman Roy Fanjoy.

The Board signed the payroll and check manifests.

The Board signed the following for Therese Larson covering for the vacationing Administrative Assistant Judith Jones:

- Selectman Johnson made a motion to accept the Selectmen's Minutes of July 9, 2012 as written; seconded by Selectman Fanjoy and approved.
- Selectman Fanjoy made a motion to accept the Selectmen's non-public sealed Minutes of July 9, 2012 session # 2 as written; seconded by Selectman Johnson and approved. Selectman Johnson stated he had an update regarding the subject of those minutes and suggested going into non-public session at the end of this Selectmen's meeting in order to discuss it pursuant to R.S.A. 91-A:3, II(c) "*Matters which if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person,...*"
- Selectman Fanjoy made a motion to accept the Selectmen's non-public sealed Minutes of July 9, 2012 session # 1 as written; seconded by Selectman Johnson and approved.

Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham advised the Board of the following:

- Bank reconciliation for the month of June was signed by the Board.
- Forest Fire Bill for Webster on June 23rd – Blackberry Lane was signed by the Board.
- Forest Fire Bill for Deputy/Warden Refresher Training on July 17th was signed by the Board.
- Intent-to-Cut for Mark Phillips Map 4 Lot 12 Call Road (cancelled previous extension filed) was signed by the Board.
- Intent-to-Cut for Leila Moseley Map 4 Lot 5 Call Road (" " " ") was signed by the Board.
- Letter received from Nancy Mayville – NH DOT Highway Block Grant. Mrs. Pinkham stated this was an adjustment to the previously appropriated monies based on the grant. The amount stated in the letter is \$313.87 less.

Police Chief Robert Dupuis advised the Board of the following:

- There were 46 calls for service in the last two weeks; the highlights were read.
- He stated that he had spoken with *All Brite Cleaning and Restoration*, the company that cleaned the Public Safety Building in 2010. Prices remain the same; strip-seal-2 coats of wax = \$880.00; 3 coats = \$1,000.00; \$165.00 for all the windows and \$200.00 for the carpets. After a brief discussion Selectman Fanjoy made a motion to have the company do what was done in 2010 but do 3 coats of wax; motion seconded by Selectman Johnson and approved. Mrs. Pinkham will do a purchase order for \$1,365.00 for Chief Dupuis.
- This Saturday, July 28, 2012, police officers will be pumping gas at selected Irving Stations. Irving will donate 5 cents a gallon to the Special Olympics. Chief Dupuis stated the Webster PD will be at one of the Irving Stations in Andover; either Jake's Market across from Proctor or the Circle K further west on Route 11 going towards New London.

Fire Chief Colin Colby advised the Board of the following:

- It's been a low July. Webster was unscathed during storms that went through last week; not so for Hopkinton which had a microburst. Hopkinton had 31 calls in that one night.
- Webster is at a total of 79 calls for the year, down from last year.
- Doug Miner, State Forester, did additional training for the Deputy Wardens. Chief Colby stated the training went very well. Mr. Miner did say that "Smokey the Bear" would be making an appearance at Old Home Day. Chief stated that he inquired of Mr. Miner about getting a "Smokey the Bear" sign with the Fire Danger Code for the Public Safety Building. Chief stated that they would look into the possibility of having a MVHS student to perhaps make the sign for his/her senior project.
- Chief Colby stated that Emmett Bean, Road Agent, had been actively pursuing the material needed for dry hydrants replacements on Clothespin Bridge Road.

Road Agent Bean advised the Board of the following:

- With the help of Mrs. Pinkham, they set up a credit account with "Prescott's" in order to purchase the materials needed for the dry hydrants mentioned above.
- He has been doing "ditching" around Town; tarred in a culvert on New Hampshire Drive that had been replaced last year.

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- They have tar swaled several ditches around Town.
- At Detour Road, Walker Pond Road and Pleasant Street, Unutil took down a tree that was leaning on another dead tree near the power lines. Mr. Bean stated that there are five or six or maybe eight dead trees right in that area and one big dead one that goes over the power lines that need to be attended to. Some of them are out of the Town's right-of-way. At the suggestion of Mr. Bean, the Board will go out there and take a look at the situation.
- Mr. Bean advised the Board that he could make a deal with *Allstate Asphalt* for 3,000 gallons of liquid calcium at 90 cents a gallon. Liquid calcium would keep the dust down on the roads and they would not have to be graded as often. He has also used 7 to 8 thousand gallons of water per day on Deer Meadow Road to keep the dust down. Mr. Bean is aware of unhappy residents due to the construction. He is holding off completion because Copart of Connecticut, Inc., the new owners of the former junkyard property at 111 Deer Meadow Road, is expecting a number of tri-axle trucks to do site work for a period of a month. Mr. Bean stated he would rather have those trucks really pound and pack the road prior to paving. If he paved it now, those trucks would more than likely tear up the new road. Road Agent Bean also mentioned that his "Road Work" and "Slow" signs have been turned around at night by someone so the drivers cannot see the signs. Even during the day while working on the road, some drivers ignore the signs and speed through almost hitting the heavy equipment and Mr. Bean, himself.
- Chairman Cummings asked Mrs. Pinkham to do a purchase order for the calcium as quoted above.
- Selectman Johnson stated he had inquiries from residents as to why state road construction is completed quicker than the Town's. Mr. Bean stated to build a road it has to be dug it up during a summer; leave it alone for a year in order for it to go through the winter frost cycle; then after all is settled and packed down, the paving is done. Also, the Town does not have the big rollers or heavy equipment or staff that the State does.
- Mr. Bean observed that beavers were damaging the woods on one side of White Plains Road. He will continue to monitor the situation.
- There are three culverts on New Hampshire Drive whose headers are gone. When Mr. Bean went out to take measurements for new headers he discovered the culverts were no good either. He plans on replacing the culverts and then build new headers. Three days ahead of construction he will post a "Road Closed" sign with the date and time.

7:15 PM The Board of Selectmen opened the three bids for the Town Hall Carpet Installation:

1. Anton Wilson of Lakes Region Flooring of Chichester, NH; bid = \$4,647.37.
2. A.D.F. Flooring, L.L.C. of Boscawen, NH; bid = \$4,640.10.
3. Bailey's Custom Carpet of Concord, NH; bid = \$5,351.00.

After looking over the bids and having a brief discussion, Selectman Fanjoy made a motion to accept the bid from A.D.F. Flooring for \$4,640.10; seconded by Selectman Johnson and approved unanimously. It was noted that although Mr. Wilson did not win the carpet bid, he has been hired to install the new tile, because he did a good job when he installed the old tile that is currently in the Town Hall. Selectman Johnson will draft a contract for the Board to study at home and will have it on the agenda for the next Selectmen's meeting of August 6th.

The Board reviewed a request from Joe DiPrima, owner of Cozy Pond Campground Resort, to build a seasonal cabin for the campground caretakers, him and his wife; add more sites and discuss the future expansion of the campground over the next decade. Chairman Cummings advised that these requests would require referring him to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board. Mr. DiPrima advised that he planned to turn in an application to the Zoning Board by the filing deadline on Wednesday.

The Board briefly discussed the upcoming inspection of Mr. Gamil Azmy's property on August 1, 2012. Selectman Fanjoy stated that he was ready to be there at 9:00 AM. Selectman Fanjoy also advised the Board that he spoke to our Attorney, who is waiting for a response from a letter he sent to Mr. Azmy. In the meantime, Mr. Azmy has filed another appeal. Chairman Cummings thought the inspection might be done on August 2nd.

Chairman Cummings asked Road Agent Bean if the M.O.U. agreement between the Town and the School District was all set. Mr. Bean stated yes. Chairman Cummings also thanked Mr. Bean for the work he did regarding the rocks between the backstop and the gate into the park behind the school to help prevent vandals from driving down in there and tearing it up.

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The next order of business was the update of the Life Safety Code Enforcement Officer job description. Selectman Johnson stated that Mr. Tom Baye, who has been filling in, was working on a job description that has not been received yet. (Note: Mr. Baye's draft was received after this meeting had been adjourned.) Selectman Johnson informed the Board that the position has been posted on the Town's website. There are three people interested in the position, including Mr. Baye. Selectman Johnson stated there would be a posting in the August Grapevine. Selectman Johnson stated that at the next Selectmen's meeting, the Board will discuss how to proceed.

Selectman Johnson informed the Board that there would be a Shared Services meeting on Thursday night, July 26th, in Warner.

At this time Chairman Cummings opened the meeting to those in the audience wishing to speak. Road Agent Bean thanked everyone for all their "Get Well" wishes and concerns when he was recuperating from his recent hospitalization. He truly appreciates everyone's thoughts.

7:56 PM Selectman Johnson made the motion to go into non-public session # 1 with Police Chief Robert Dupuis pursuant to R.S.A. 91-A:3, II (a) to discuss personnel issues; seconded by Selectman Fanjoy. Chairman Cummings did a Roll Call vote: Selectman Johnson – Yes; Selectman Fanjoy – Yes; Chairman Cummings – Yes.

8:12 PM Chairman Cummings reconvened the meeting. All three Selectmen voted unanimously to seal the minutes.

8:13 PM Selectman Johnson made the motion to go into a non-public session # 2 with Mrs. Larson (to take the minutes) pursuant to R.S.A. 91-A:3, II(c) to discuss *Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person*; seconded by Selectman Fanjoy. Chairman Cummings did a Roll Call vote: Selectman Johnson – Yes; Selectman Fanjoy – Yes; Chairman Cummings – Yes.

8:20 PM Chairman Cummings reconvened the meeting. All three Selectmen voted unanimously to seal the minutes.

8:21 PM Selectman Fanjoy made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Selectman Johnson and approved.

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